

House Resolution No. 2012

Whereas, as the 2003-2004 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Cape Girardeau School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty with the retirement of Sherry Kaye Ford who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Sherry Ford is a fifth grade remedial reading teacher at Cape Middle School, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Sherry Ford has touched the lives of countless youngsters by helping them form a solid educational foundation upon which to build in the future; and

Whereas, Sherry Ford has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, named Outstanding MSTA/CTA Member of the Year 2000-2001, Sherry Ford has supported her profession as a member of CMS, the Parent and Teachers Association, the Missouri State Teachers Association, and the Community Teachers Association, for which she served as President in 1997; and

Whereas, Sherry Ford earned a Bachelor's degree in elementary education and a Master's degree in education/reading specialist, with an additional thirty hours at Southeast Missouri State University; and

Whereas, Sherry Ford has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Elmer Ford; two children and their spouses, Laura and Rick Chambless and Michael Dean and Sherry Ford; and one granddaughter, Avery Jeannine Ford, and another one on the way:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Cape Girardeau School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Sherry Ford has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Sherry Kaye Ford, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Jason G. Crowell
Majority Floor Leader
District No. 158

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2012, adopted April 21, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker